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**REQUEST  
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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.  
See the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

<b>Application Number</b>	09/113,751
<b>Filing Date</b>	July 10, 1998
<b>First Named Inventor</b>	Stephen R. Lawrence
<b>Group Art Unit</b>	2172
<b>Examiner Name</b>	E. Colbert
<b>Attorney Docket Number</b>	11379 (NECI1043)

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.  
**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.83 (d) (PTO/SB/28) instead of an RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE Practice.

**1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.****a. Previously submitted**

- i.  Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed 12/21/00 on
- ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**b. Enclosed**

- i.  Amendment/Reply
- ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv.  Other Certificate of Facsimile Transmission

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- a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(l) required)
- b.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

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- i.  RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
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